

This is the open season for admission to the fair.

It would seem that the fair's other visits were merely an excuse for a day.

Living is high in New York. Even a dog at \$100 for lunch on the other day.

At this season of the year no boy needs to be told that swimming is a healthy exercise.

A Minneapolis hospital offers to treat a man free. His most any candidate will do that.

The resented White House contains thirty-two miles of wire—and several people to pull it.

They are busy in New York just now counting the goose that "Get-Rick-Quick" Goslin plucked.

Bulgaria should join hands with Japan and divide the expenses of the enthusiastic search for trouble.

Any reasonable man will admit that there are two sides to every question—his side and the wrong side.

Mr. Whistler is no more and the great art of making enemies is relegated exclusively to our reformers in politics.

What treasury the suit is not that his treasury is empty, but that he has reached the end of his ability to go into debt.

American warships in European waters have been winning peace victories that are no less valuable than those of war.

People who can't get along without borrowing trouble might save wear and tear on their nerves by moving to Paterson, N. J.

Properly among the politicians—a beyond question. The diamond importation has increased 50 per cent during the last year.

It is said that Indiana have acquired the divorce habit. Perhaps the real truth is that some of the squaws have decided to strike.

The peek-a-boo shirtwaist may shock us, but it has one great advantage, the dear girl who wears it attracts all the mosquitoes.

The latest bulletins from Jim Corbett's camp prove conclusively that when his "new blow" has been tried out, Jeffries will again be a better maker.

Anthracite coal fields have been discovered in Colorado equal in extent to those of Pennsylvania. The Mississippi valley will now be between two fires.

When an old-fashioned mother wants to say in a back-handed way that her boy is good at school, she says that he likes all his teachers.—Athenian Globe.

It is hoped that the Fourth-of-July victims have nearly all been accounted for. The automobile accidents continue, however, to be reported in gradually increasing numbers.

Mrs. Corbett has dreamed that her husband will knock out Jeffries in the thirtieth round. But if she wanted to be convincing, why couldn't she make it some other round?

A New York corporation, of which the state is said to have been "all water," has been declared bankrupt. The company's floating debt did not keep the directors in the swim.

Peace once more reigns in the educational world since the president of the State university of Vermillion, S. D., has been exonerated from the charge of drinking beer and smoking cigars.

Prince Botkin of Paris calls the Serbian affair an "operetta." Well it depends, Prince. If you had been playing the star part doubtless it would have seemed a little nearer the legitimate.

Dr. Stiles claims that in some cases the "laziness disease" has been fatal. The only case just now recalled is that of the man who was too tired to get off the track when the train came along.

England complains that we have seized some of her islands. But we have not. It is merely an exchange. We gave her William Waldorf Astor and surely he is worth more than any little bunch of islands.

Jacob Jung and Marie Mosser, aged 87 and 85 respectively, kissed each other in Lincoln, Chicago, recently, and were promptly arrested. Poor young things! How can Chicago tolerate policemen with no tender sentiments in their souls?

When the theosophist lady and gentleman who stood up before their friends the other day and said they were married to call it off they will find it necessary to go through a few additional formalities. The law is queer about some of these things.

President Butler of Columbia spent the Sabbath with President Roosevelt and both remained away from church. But let us put away the suspicion that two presidents were out back of the barn playing quoits.

A Missouri editor was fined \$500 for contempt of the court because he criticized a decision of the court. When the citizens heard of it they at once subscribed the money that was needed to pay his fine. Some courts don't know when to let well enough alone.

Japanese tea merchants are in this country for the purpose of booming their goods, but as they brought no racing yacht along Sir Thomas need not worry about the new competition.

Abdullah's strong box is empty and nothing emerges from the cavernous lockers but the hard breathing of the finance minister feeling for the last pittance in the farthest corner.

Mr. Payne Whitney is going to look for King Solomon's mines. Think of eating Wall Street on such a search!

# Missouri

A record of the events of the week that are of special interest to the people in Missouri.

## VILLAGE DESTROYED.

Lightning and Wind Work Havoc in Vernon County, Missouri.

Nevada, Mo.: A severe windstorm visited Vernon County Saturday morning and continued from 1 o'clock until 3 a. m. In this city a large number of trees were blown down, electric wires broken, a new church building being erected by the Latter-Day Saints was greatly damaged, and all the tents at Lake Park, to be used by the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic at their reunion next week, were leveled to the ground.

In the country several horses and cattle were killed by lightning and a great quantity of new hay destroyed. The stock village of Mott, in the southwest part of the county, was practically wiped out of existence.

The E. L. Hoffman's general merchandise store was struck by lightning and consumed. The residents of the village, having no means by which to fight fire, were compelled to stand by and see eight business houses and their contents burn. Two grocery stores, one hardware, one dry goods and one drug store and one residence were destroyed. All were insured.

Reports received here say that at the mining camps of Minden and Yale 60 houses were blown down and 40 persons injured.

## CITY MARSHAL ARRESTED.

Coroner Holds Vince Coleman for the Killing of Rufus Cox.

Brunswick, Mo.: City Marshal Vince Coleman of Dalton shot and killed Rufus Cox late Saturday night at Dalton. Cox was shot three times in the chest, one bullet passing through the left lung and another entering the heart.

Cox was selling fish in the street when Coleman came along and ordered him to take his fish off the sidewalk. A few words were exchanged and a fight ensued. Coleman pulled his pistol and shot at Cox four times. Coleman was arrested and lodged in jail at Keytesville. He is a brother of Charley Coleman, who was killed last April in Keytesville by Willie White.

Doctor B. Hughes, County Coroner, held an inquest and the jury rendered a verdict that the killing was unjustifiable.

## Sue the St. Louis Line.

Jefferson City, Mo.: A lien has been filed in the circuit court for the firm of H. P. Balch & Co., railroad contractors, against the St. Louis, Kansas City and Colorado railroad company, the amount involved being \$32,121.61.

This sum, the contractors allege, is due them for the work of constructing the road in the counties of Marion, Miller, Osage, Cole and Morgan, and for materials furnished. The firm which brings this suit is also involved in litigation, several powder companies in Indiana having resorted to the circuit court here for the collection of large sums of money alleged to be due for powder furnished it. The Kansas railroad construction company was the original contractor with the railway company, and the Balch concern built the road under contract with it. The engineer of the construction company accepted the work.

## Jealous Negro Stabs Sweetheart.

Armstrong, Mo.: Because his sweetheart had danced with another negro, Lindsay Pitts seriously cut his sweetheart, Deale Herndon, at a picnic held in Roscoe Saturday. Three other men fell his victims. Officer Patterson and Robert Hayes, both white, were seriously injured by Pitts in an attempt to arrest him. Patterson fired five shots at the negro after he had been cut, but none took effect. William Pitts, his brother, was seriously injured by this negro, being cut a number of times about the face and body. Deale Herndon was also cut several times about the face and body and her condition is serious.

## University Sues.

St. Louis: The University of Missouri filed a suit against the Government in the United States Circuit Court last week to recover \$957.98, alleged to have been paid at duty on scientific apparatus. The university officials claim such goods ought to be admitted duty free. The goods are said to have been taxed as merchandise by the Board of General Appraisers at New York.

## W. B. Eklins Joins University Faculty.

Columbia, Mo.: Dr. W. B. Eklins of Honolulu has been elected to the assistant professorship in the teachers' college of Missouri University. Dr. Eklins is a graduate of Cornell University. He has traveled extensively in Russia and Germany and for the past three years has been teaching ethics, education and sociology in Honolulu.

## Ernest F. Thompson Commits Suicide.

St. Joseph, Mo.: Ernest F. Thompson, 28 years old, son-in-law of the late M. M. Randall, and boy buyer for the Hammond Packing Company, took poison and then shot himself Friday at the Union hotel, 215 South Sixth street. The body was not found until Saturday, when the hotel porter entered the room. The deceased leaves a widow, Mrs. Ethel Lee Thompson, daughter of the late Mr. Randall. They resided at 2605 Seneca street, Wray Park. No cause is assigned for the deed.

## Engineer Killed in Wreck at Laclede.

Hannibal, Mo.: The Burlington fast passenger train, No. 16, from Colorado, bound for St. Louis, dashed into a freight train at Laclede, on the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad, early Saturday morning while running at a high rate of speed. The locomotive left the track and plunged down a steep embankment, killing Engineer Edward Stephens. The cars of the train remained on the track. Stephens was an extra engineer and was running in the place of Engineer George Fritz.

## Lay Corner Stone.

Canton, Mo.: The corner stone of Christian University at Canton, Mo., was laid Monday, August 10, by the Masonic fraternity, Grand Master W. F. Kuhn officiating. The first story of the building is being built of stone and is nearly completed.

## Wanted in Missouri.

Murphyboro, Ill.: Geo. Miley was arrested at the Iron Mountain depot in Murphyboro Friday night. He is wanted at Jackson, Mo., on a charge of murder.

## MISSOURI HEALTH EXHIBIT.

Doctor Detweiler Will Show What a Healthful State Is.

Columbia, Mo.: The Missouri health exhibit for the St. Louis World's Fair, which is being prepared by the State Board of Health, will be unique. Samples of water from all parts of the State will be secured and analyzed by Doctor A. J. Detweiler, the State bacteriologist. The samples of water, with their chemical and bacteriological analysis, will be exhibited in the Educational building.

"It is our intention," said Doctor Detweiler, "to prove that Missouri has as good a supply of water for drinking and manufacturing purposes as any other State. We intend to investigate the water supply of every Missouri town of a population of over 2,000, and exhibit those whose water is pure and healthful."

"Aside from this, we will show the mineral waters of the State. Missouri has as good mineral waters as any other State, and they are all well distributed. These waters will be analyzed and exhibited in bottles. A St. Louis doctor has been secured to give suggestions as to the arrangement of the water bottles. He is a enthusiastic over the idea and thinks we will have a very attractive exhibit."

"The other departments will show that Missouri is a good place to live in because of her mineral and agricultural resources, her good schools, cheap lands, low taxes, etc."

The appropriation for this exhibit has not yet been definitely decided on, but the board hopes to receive a liberal allowance from the Missouri Commission.

## Grand Jury Takes a Recre.

Jefferson City, Mo.: Because of the fact that Attorney General Crow will be so busily engaged in the senatorial bribery trials that he can not give his attention to the investigation of witnesses before the Grand Jury, and the further fact that Judge Hays's enforced absence, holding court in Morgan and Miller counties, the Grand Jury took a recess at noon Saturday until September 14. No bills were returned, nor was any sort of a report made by the jury. In dismissing the jury, Judge Hays told it the eyes of the country were upon it, and cautioned it against permitting persons to "pump" it.

## Representative John H. Stumberg.

St. Charles, Mo.: Representative John H. Stumberg died at his residence, on Third and Jefferson streets, Sunday morning, after several hours' illness from heart disease, aged 65 years. Deceased was a well-known physician of this city, having been actively engaged in his profession since the close of the Civil War, in which he served as surgeon. He took great interest in politics and at the last general election was elected on the Republican ticket as representative from St. Charles County. He leaves a widow and several grown children.

## Sunday Baseball Permitted.

Chillicothe, Mo.: As a result of the strong fight which has been made on Sunday baseball, the City Council last week amended the ordinance in relation to Sunday observance so as to make Sunday baseball in Chillicothe legal unless it is played in the streets or public grounds. This is a victory for the ball players and their friends, as the games are played in a private park. The law and order people retaliated by announcing their intention of having a committee present at next Sunday's game to take the names of all who attended.

## Clerk's Picnic.

Joplin, Mo.: The first annual picnic for the Railway Clerks of America, given under the auspices of the lodges at Parsons, Pittsburg, Ft. Scott and Joplin, was held here Sunday. Three thousand people came in on excursions over the different roads. Special trains were run from Parsons, Kas, Sloom Springs, Ark., Nevada, Pa. Scott, Springfield and Pittsburg. While many of the visitors were entertained at Grand Falls park, many of them spent the day at Lakeside.

## Troy Gets the Depot.

Troy, Mo.: The controversy over the location of the Burlington depot was settled last week by the railroad company buying 50 acres of land from J. D. Carter, upon which to build a depot and place sidetracks. This locates the station about one mile from the courthouse.

## St. Louis Man Elected President.

St. Louis: Doctor M. C. Marshall, dean of the dental faculty of Marion Sims College, was recently elected president of the National College faculty. This organization will meet in St. Louis next year.

## Colored Odd Fellows.

Pulaski, Mo.: The colored grand lodge of Odd Fellows of Missouri, which has been in session here, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Edward S. Lewis of Kansas City, grand master; William Barton of Columbia, deputy grand master; George E. Temple of St. Louis, grand treasurer; August Tins of St. Louis, grand secretary; W. C. Wilson of Kansas City, grand director; W. C. Gordon of St. Louis, grand endowment director. The next meeting of the grand lodge will be held at Louisiana.

## Reunion Arrangements.

Columbia, Mo.: A meeting of Seelye camp, Confederate Veterans, was held in Columbia Saturday and an executive committee consisting of J. H. Maxwell, Col. Eli Hodge and M. G. Quinn was appointed to take charge of the arrangements for the State reunion of Confederate Veterans, to be held in Columbia the latter part of September. All the old officers of the camp were re-elected for another year. The executive committee will meet and appoint subcommittees, who will take charge of the arrangements.

## Boone County's New Bank.

Columbia, Mo.: Arrangements have been completed for a new bank at Rocheport, Boone County, and the organization of the stockholders will take place this week. The new bank, the second one for Rocheport, has a capital stock of \$10,000, nearly all of which has been subscribed by citizens of Rocheport and Columbia. Robert C. Cochran of Rocheport will be president; E. W. Hines of Columbia, has been retained as attorney for the new institution.

# The Two Captains

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## CHAPTER V.—Continued.

"Let her go!" came down the stairs, ragged with the wind, as the man, panting, made for the door.

When the brig soared to the height of the white-headed sea, the sail was visible in the glass. Pope looked and saw three apices rocking solemnly. A full-rigged ship was sailing southwest half down, and Captain Pope called to the wheel.

"Let her go off a couple of points. Weather brace, sir. Crystal will take a look at that gentleman."

Ball was trimmed; the brig rushed with each leave, roaring white into the green and frolicked hollows. She left a path as brilliant as sunshine asters, and Crystal, watching the men drag upon the braces, marvelled to himself that Pope should dream of doing business in the English channel.

But the truth is, Pope had come to sea ill equipped in his lazzarette, by which I mean he was very meanly supplied with stores. Fresh water he had taken in abundance, but not very much to eat for the cabin or the forecastle. He had therefore resolved that he would fill his larder as he went along by helping himself from the holds of vessels he passed or overhauled. This was quite consistent with the traditions of the pirates, and in sober truth Pope could not have determined otherwise, for after he had paid Stanton four hundred pounds cash, and the bills, and advanced money to his sailors, purchased powder, rum and so on, the proceeds from the sale of the plate had dwindled alarmingly, and he was short of money when he began to think of provisions.

The vessel they had altered their course for held on very stately and, an English East Indianman, and one of the finest specimens of her noble kind.

It had been imagined by the crew when the brig's course was altered that the vessel was a pirate, and they were all armed and ready for action.

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and pounds out of a ship, five thousand divided among you. In that good enough? And who's going to stop at ten thousand pounds provided you're willing and prove yourselves men?"

He paused at this, and a loud hum of assent went up. Captain Crystal, gazing anxiously, saw very clearly that the hands were willing. No murmur or course of resentment was audible as though the fellows had been roused. But in sober truth the majority had shipped with a clear conscience that something more than Camperdown and the West Indies.

CHAPTER VI.

The Collision.

The Gypsy was now a pirate, recognized as such by her crew, with a black flag in her color-cloak ready for hoisting when occasion required. And when Captain Pope ordered his men to reassemble on the main-deck, it was more with a view to holding a council than to making speeches.

First he told them he had put to sea so ill-stocked with provisions that in a week they must be in want; their immediate business therefore was to plunder a ship for food and drink. He stated that he had a sufficiency of powder and shot; more was always to be obtained by plundering small vessels. Next day, he said, the armaments would be brought on deck, and the crew drilled by Mr. Crystal and Matthew Grindal in the exercise of the cutlass and the cannon.

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